I urge the FCC in the strongest way possible to eliminate all telemarketing calls in any form (live or recorded) by any organization (commercial, political, or non-profit).

Unlike the U.S. mail (where mail delivery is guaranteed at no cost to the recipient), I pay a monthly fee for my telephone.

I believe this ought to give me the right to choose who I want to phone me. Telemarketing removes that choice.

Opting out does not work. Some telemarketers hang up before I complete my request. Others call back anyway.

There are so many telemarketing calls (several a day, every day) it is impossible to keep track of who called.

Telemarketers know that mealtime is a likely time for people to be home. They call then, and interrupt family conversation.

My wife has been ill off and on for the past several years. We must keep the line open for calls related to her illness, yet we are constantly disturbed by useless telemarketing calls.

There are so many scams in operation today that I have a firm, no exception rule...I will not make a purchase of any kind from anyone who calls me unsolicited. Therefore, it is useless for ANY telemarketer to phone me.

In fact, once I can identify the call as being from a telemarketer, I immediately request that my name be taken off their calling list. Most are pleasant and agree. Some don't give me the opportunity to complete my request and hang up. And a few are downright rude as soon as they realize they cannot make a sale.

Please, please, please eliminate the scourge of telemarketing calls.

Thanks you.

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